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Dear Senator Gerratana and Representative Johnson and Members of the Public Health Committee,

First, I wish to applaud you for proposing Raised bill #5327 to support the practice of homeopaths in Connecticut. There are several reasons I am anxious to have access to well trained homeopaths.

Years ago, I met a girl from England who was "all about homeopathy". Then I took a course where I learned that the formulas have not changed for over 300 years. You see, they work! The Queen of England uses a homeopath. As a child I was treated by a GP who graduated from Hahnemann in Philadelphia which was founded with a homeopathic background. Our GP always knew when to treat simply (his shelf of "stuff") or to send us on to the next level (antibiotics).

Now in today's world with health care changing, I think it is important that we have the freedom to use alternative forms. People should be taking responsibility for their care rather than looking for the "pill cure". I believe this will continue to be an important factor as health care prices rise. I personally use several products that are used in Europe. One is for poison ivy and another is for muscle soreness. I truly believe that access to a licensed homeo-pathic care is a great way to receive treatments as a first line, both because of affordability as well as being the "easy way" to treat. They work and are gentle on the body.

I am a product of two surgeries and two specialists for one problem. My final treatment on a med that was costing me \$100. a month out of pocket after insurance was to find me numb and with backaches (side effect)--I had tried all their recommendations. My alternative care giver has me on a homeopathic prep which is working as good as well as the big med and without the side effects.

You also have an employee who works at our capitol who 20 years ago was in Ireland and had forgotten to take her allergy med when she left the States. She had a very bad attack and went into a pharm in Brussels . She was given a prep and took it; five years later she was still free of attacks! The formulas work!

Please open the doors for easy access to nationally board certified homeopaths for our citizens in Connecticut to have easy access.

Thank you,

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